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PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Schooner Robin Hood released from quarantine at Charlottetown.

CHARLOTTETOWN, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, *December 28, 1901.*

SIR: Referring to my dispatch dated December 11, 1901, schooner *Robin Hood* in quarantine at Georgetown, Prince Edward Island, would say, I am informed the same has been released and is loading at that port.

The seaman has recovered, been released from the marine hospital, and joined his schooner at Georgetown. At the present time this province is free from smallpox.

Respectfully,

DELMER J. VAIL,
United States Consul.

HON. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

RUSSIA.

Precautions against plague in making shipments from Odessa.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *January 7, 1902.*

SIR: Referring to this Department's letter of the 13th ultimo, as to the necessity for the disinfection of wool, goatskins, and old goloshes, shipped from Odessa to the United States, and your answer thereto of the 20th ultimo, I now have the honor to transmit herewith, for the information of the U. S. Marine-Hospital Service, copy of a dispatch on the subject from the consul of the United States at Odessa.

Respectfully,

JOHN HAY,
Secretary of State.

HON. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

[Inclosure.]

ODESSA, RUSSIA, *December 11, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of instruction No. 287 from the Department dated November 22, 1901.

I beg to assure the Department that very thorough precautions have been taken against contamination by rats both as regards merchandise and vessels.

No further cases of the plague have been reported.

Respectfully,

THOS. E. HEENAN,
United States Consul.

HON. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

SCOTLAND.

Report from Glasgow—Smallpox in London—Plague in Mauritius.

GLASGOW, SCOTLAND, *December 30, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report: During the week ended December 28, the health of this city and of Scotland generally was satisfactory. In London, smallpox continues at about the same rate as before, the deaths for the week ended December 21 being 24 as against 21, 16, and 26 in the preceding three weeks. There are reported to be at the present time about 700 cases in hospital.

There is very little news as regards plague. In Mauritius, for the week ended December 19, there were 46 cases of plague with 21 deaths, and for the week ended December 26, there were 36 cases and 23 deaths.